IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 4044

Akihisa HONGO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1822A

Serial No. 10/735,771 : Group Art Unit 1792

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SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND SUBSTRATE PROCESSING METHOD Mail Stop Amendment

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A communication dated August 6, 2008, in connection with the above application indicated that the previously submitted amendment was not fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action. Attached hereto is an amendment, initially submitted on April 30, 2008, with additional amendments and remarks addressing the assertion that the initial amendment was nonresponsive.

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